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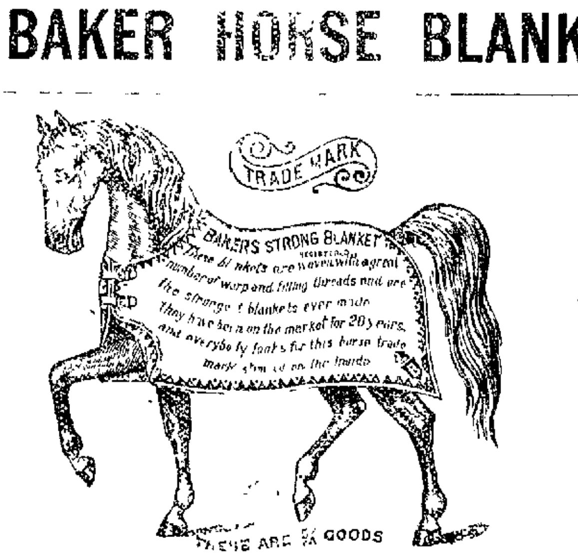

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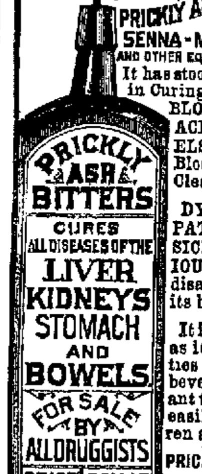

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That the business of keeping sheep has its "ups and downs" is a matter of common observation. Perhaps no department of farm husbandry has been subject to so many or so great vicissitudes during a period of thirty years as that of sheep-raising. Within this period wool has sold as high as $1 per pound and as low as 15 cents Good breeding stock has fluctuated in price in about the same way. There have been years when car-load lots of choice young merino bucks would command $50 per head. They were wanted for California, Texas, Colorado, Australia, New Zealand and various countries in South America. Within the same period there have been seasons when they would not bring as much money as it cost to raise them. Every few years some English breed of mutton sheep becomes fashionable in this country and specimens command fancy prices. After a short time their defects are discovered, or it is ascertained that they are not adapted to the portion of the country where they were introduced. They are then slaughtered or disposed of at very low figures. Sheep-raising on a somewhat extensive scale has been undertaken in almost every State and Territory, but has been abandoned in the course of a few years in a large proportion of them. In many States the number of sheep has declined as that of horses, cattle and hogs has increased

While the business of keeping sheep has flourished and declined, rose and fell in various parts of the country, it has remained stationary in others. Observers have more than once noticed the prosperity of the regions where farmers have continued to keep sheep during all the changes in the prices of wool, mutton and breeding stock. Portions of Maine, Vermont, Pennsylvania, the western reserve in Ohio, Lake County, Illinois, and several counties in Southern Michigan and Wisconsin afford good examples of how sheep husbandry has benefited the persons who have been engaged in it. They have, as a rule, fine farms, good buildings and most of the other things that give evidence of prosperity. The farmers in these sections are unanimous in their opinion that, in a term of years, there is as much profit in sheep as in any animals that can be kept on an improved place What is true of sheep-keeping on improved farms is also true of sheep-keeping on the ranch or open range. Sheep kept in large numbers in the far Western States and Territories have, during a term of years, paid better than cattle, and have suffered smaller losses. An Oregon stock-raiser and shipper, who has brought about ten thousand sheep to this market during the present year, affirms that the flock-owners are the most prosperous class in the State,

With all the talk about the low price of wool, the foreign competition and the small demand for mutton, sheep are still as profitable as any animals that the common farmer can keep. There is now more money in raising heavy draft and fine carriage horses, and for persons of large means this business is very profitable. But farmers who have small places, and debts instead of bank accounts, can not engage in breeding fine horses. They have not the means to purchase fine breeding stock at fancy prices or to erect costly stables for sheltering these animals. Neither can they wait three or four years before they can receive any returns for their capital and labor. They will find it to their advantage to raise all the colts they can from the mares they work in the field, but they must devote their main attention to cattle, hogs or sheep. Sheep are less liable to disease than hogs, and are subject to smaller risks than cattle. Sheep multiply fast, and returns come from them quickly. The lamb dropped in March will bring a large price in August. If kept till the following May it will give a fleece of wool. The owner of a well-managed flock of sheep will have wool to sell in the latter part of spring, lambs in midsummer and mutton at other times in the year. In addition to these he can keep his table supplied with fresh meat.

It is not likely that sheep will ever be dropped from the list of domesticated animals in any civilized country in the world. The prospect is that the favorite occupation of the patriarchs of Judea will be the last one that husbandmen will generally abandon. It is altogether likely that men will continue to wear woolen garments long after they are drawn over common roads by some other power than that exercised by horses It is as likely that a substitute will be found for beef as a common article of food as that a substitute will be found for wool for making ordinary garments. As there is "nothing like leather" for making covering for the feet, so there is nothing like wool for making garments for covering the body The uses for wool are increasing every year. Woolen carpets are constantly becoming more common Wool is now employed for making felted boots for the use of persons who are exposed to the cold. Its use for filling mattresses is increasing very rapidly. The demand for mutton increases as civilization extends The chop is fast superseding the steak as a breakfast and supper dish. Mutton is becoming the fashionable meat in many cities, and it will soon be the favorite meat in the country for the reason that it will be more convenient to obtain it.—*Chicago Times.*

—Louis Reigot, who for the past thirty years has been steward and head cook for Delmonico, in New York, died the other day at his handsome house on the boulevard at Weekawken. His estate is estimated at $100,000, and his salary was said to be the highest ever paid in this country.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

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$20 Persian Matalasse Jackets, with Plush and Fancy Trimmings,	$16
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MONDAY EVE., DEC. 6, 1886.

The Retiring Officers.

To-day the county officers whose terms expire step down and their duly elected successors take their places. Macon county has been unusually fortunate in the officers selected to conduct its affairs, and the gentlemen who retire to-day are no exception to the rule. Most of them have been in office a long time, having been elected and re elected—a sure indication that the people have been satisfied with their official conduct.

Judge Greer has held the office of county judge for an even quarter of a century, having been first elected in 1861 and holding the office ever since until to-day. To say that he gave the most complete satisfaction to the people is but stating the case mildly, and his enforced retirement on account of ill health is a subject of the most profound regret among all classes of citizens.

Mr. George P. Hardy, who begins his second term to day, does so under the most flattering auspices, his large majority giving proof of the hold he has upon the public esteem.

Sheriff Foster goes out of office after a service of six years, with a record that cannot but be flattering to him. He has been vigilant, alert, and intelligent in the discharge of his duties, and the strong probabilities are that nothing but the legal provision prohibiting the holding of two terms in succession could have prevented him from being his own successor if he so desired.

George M. Wood steps down and out to day after a public service of some fifteen years, as deputy sheriff, sheriff and county treasurer, having served in the latter office eleven years. He was first elected in 1875, and has been re elected three times. His record has been that of a painstaking, obliging and attentive public officer, and as long as the law permitted the re-election of county treasurers he seemed to have a sure thing on the office. He retires with the respect and confidence of the whole people.

Mr. Trainer has been county superintendent nine years, and enjoys the greatest popularity among the people. His hold upon the teachers of the county is peculiarly strong, as was shown by their presentation to him on Saturday of a fine gold watch and chain. On this occasion seventy five teachers of the county assembled at Mr. Trainer's office and through Mr. S. McBride presented their gift upon behalf of all the teachers of the county. It was a handsome tribute and worthily bestowed.

It is reported in New York that O. D. Baldwin, President of the Fourth National Bank, in that city, has been offered the Secretaryship of the Treasury on Mr. Manning's retirement in consequence of his failing health.

The New Jersey Democrats have decided to contest the seats of Republican State Representatives from the Second Mercer, Second Essex and Third Burlington Assembly Districts. This makes about a dozen contests altogether.

Indianapolis *Journal:* The Mugwump soul of the New York *Post* is torn with anguish over the thought that the President's letter in the Stone case "will furnish the next Republican President with full justification for making a clean sweep of every office holder who has ever made a speech in public on the Democratic side.' This comment is interesting chiefly from the acknowledgment it contains that the next President will be a Republican. It is but a short time since this eccentric paper has been willing to admit that the Mugwump end of the Democratic party was not supreme, and likely to remain so. It is learning differently, but through much tribulation.

From Richmond, Va.—I sell a great deal of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and find it gives better satisfaction than any other cough Syrup. I. Wilson Mosbly, Druggist.

"Once upon a midnight dreary," when I tossed so sad and weary, upon my bed half mad with pain, a friend brought me a bottle of Salvation Oil. It cured me. I needed this, and "nothing more."

Cleveland *Leader:* Grover Cleve and is gradually becoming a Democrat—on the installment plan, as it were.

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BY TELEGRAPH

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Opening of the National Congress.

Snow and Sleet in the South.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 5.—The President has been assured that his message will be read to both houses before any announcement of deaths is made to cause adjournment. The message contains 15,000 words, and about one third of it is devoted to Treasury and State Department matters. The increase in revenue and the large surplus on hand are used as an argument for the reduction of taxation, but no specific recommendations are made as to the methods of reduction beyond the general one of reduction of the tariff. An agreement with the Pacific Railroad, in the line of the extension bills pending before Congress is discussed, and the importance of definite conclusions at this session is urged.

There is no recommendation for the improvement of rivers and harbors.

The Cutting and fishery troubles are referred to in connection with a general declaration that the rights of American citizens must be sustained.

A special message on the fishery question is to be sent in later.

The same position as last year is taken upon the silver question, but with much less emphasis.

Columbia, S. C. Dec. 5.—For the last sixty hours the heaviest sleet-storm ever experienced in this city has been in progress. The whole surface of the country is covered from three to 6 inches with ice. The city street railway has been obliged to suspend operations, being unable to run a car. All trains are delayed. In some places in the State snow has fallen instead of sleet, and is ten to fifteen inches deep. The trains on the Asheville & Spartansburg Road, connecting this State with the West, are snow-bound. It is feared that if the sleet and snow-storm continues great numbers of cattle will perish, for in this State but few cattle are housed or fed.

Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 5.—Robert Lowry who was defeated by 2,500 majority in the Democratic district by Capt. James B. White, Republican, has used his utmost exertions to prevent the issuing of a commission by the Governor to White on the ground of the latter's alleged ineligibility to hold the office. His efforts have proven abortive as Gov. Gray has issued the commission to Capt. White, who received it to day, and who will represent this district in the next Congress.

Clinton, Ill., Dec. 5.—It is very generally understood that the Illinois Central Railroad has consummated the purchase of the Champaign & Havana line, which runs through this city, and that it will assume its management Jan. 1. This will give the ownership of all three of the roads passing through this city to the Illinois Central.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 5.—The snowstorm which prevailed last night and all of to day, extended about 150 miles south of Memphis. The The snow was three inches deep at Grenada, Miss., 100 miles below here. Trains on all the roads leading to the city were delayed from two two to six hours this morning, but are now running on regular schedule time. The weather continued threatening, and the indications are favorable for another snowstorm to-night.

Clinton, Ill., Dec. 5.—After boring to a depth of 950 feet in this city in an ineffectual attempt to discover coal the Chicago Diamond Drill Company have abandoned the scheme, and will go elsewhere. A vein forty-two inches thick was passed through at a depth of 550 feet, but this is not sufficient to justify the sinking of a shaft.

Galena, Ill., Dec. 5.—An infant 4 days old and weighing only one pound and a half is at present the attraction in this city. The child is perfectly formed and in apparent good health. Its head will easily go into a dessert coffee cup, and a common plain gold finger ring (lady's size) can be slipped over the whole hand. Crowds of people have flocked to see this tiny specimen of humanity.

A Springfield (Ill.) physician reports a case of lump-jaw in a human being, the first ever known in the United States. The subject is a young lady employed in a manufacturing establishment, who about a year ago was operated upon for tumor of the left jaw, which was extirpated, but grew again. It is a fungiod growth, and one of the proofs of the germ theory. The fungus is a mass of yellowish pus, containing small plaques resembling seed, mingled with long filaments. The disease invades the lungs, intestines and general system, and if not interrupted in its course invariably results in death, but if taken in its primary stage, as in the present case, it can be cured. The disease infects cattle and other animals, and was first discovered in a human being in Berlin, Germany, in 1883.

Food makes Blood and Blood makes Beauty. Improper digestion of food necessarily produces bad blood, resulting in a feeling of fullness in the stomach, acidity, heartburn, sick-headache and other dyspeptic symptoms. A closely confined life causes indigestion, constipation, biliousness and loss of appetite. To remove these troubles there is no remedy equal to Prickly Ash Bitters. It has been tried and proven to be a specific. Nov18-d&w1mo

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The Newest Fancies in Imported French and English Costumes.

Heliotrope, green, Suede and other brown shades prevail among French costumes, with also a decided use of brighter blue and gayer red shades than have yet been employed for entire toilettes. One of Worth's fancies is that of using Suede, tan and even dark orange with almost any of the new colors, but especially with the moss green which is now in such great favor. For instance, a Paris costume of dark green twilled wool that has a woven border of darker green in vermicelli pattern is made up with a vest and skirt of dark mandarin yellow velvet nearly concealed by braiding of green soutache sewed on endwise in a vermicelli design. The bordered part of the green wool is so wide that it is used for the whole basque. The long drapery is edged with this border, and is caught up in vertugadin puffs on each hip, and an extra back drapery, also bordered, forms a swinging loop, curved shorter than that now worn. The yellow velvet shows only at the top, and the basque has Astrakhan-fur-covered revers. The sleeves are of the plain twilled wool with velvet cuffs. Worth also uses Suede brown velvet to relieve black velvet toilettes, the color appearing in a panel on the left, with a great velvet rosette finishing the panel at the foot, and facing of the Suede in the three tiers of plaiting that cross the back breadths. A dark green satin dress is draped to show the entire front of Suede brown velvet, and Suede cloth vests are as popular as white cloth vests in red, heliotrope or green cloth gowns. The newest fancy in red dresses is for bright wool that is almost scarlet, and this color will be greatly used by very young ladies, who are rebelling against the dull shades so long used, but there is also a very stylish dull brown-red or reddish-brown similar to the terra-cotta shade worn two years ago, which comes in the richest new fabrics, and is especially commended both by the French and the Anglo-maniacs for outside wraps—either coats or visites—to be worn with dresses of contrasting color or of a similar shade, or else to brighten black toilettes. It is useless to decry black dresses, as has been the custom of late, since many of the most elegant imported suits are black throughout, or else in combination with white, with Suede, with green, or the revived bright or dull red shades.—*Harper's Bazar.*

Cost of Cremation.

The cost of cremation at Gotha, according to a report recently read before the Berlin Cremation Society, amounts to £21 10s., exclusive of church fees, singing, bell-ringing, mourning, coaches and urn. An urn may be deposited, free of expense, in the columbarium for twenty years, at the expiration of which term its safe keeping is to be paid for, or the urn will be properly interred, unless otherwise disposed of by the relatives. If the incinerated remains are to be interred in a Gotha cemetery immediately after being cremated, such interment must be paid for like any other; they may, however, be taken away in a tin case by the family if so desired. The quantity of coal required for an incineration, as included in the fore-mentioned specification, is two and a half tons at £1 each. If several incinerations take place on the same day, only one and a quarter tons are charged after the first.—*N. Y. Post.*

New York, Dec. 5.—A telegram received in this city to-day from Ed. Orrin, the theater manager in the city of Mexico, confirm the report of the swindle perpetrated there by a man representing himself to be the advance agent for Henry Abbey, manager for Mme. Patti. Orrin places the amount at $30,000. No trace of the swindler can be found.

Netted Over $50 00.

Mr. Editor: The "Relief Fund" of Fred. Spooner Post, G. A. R., at Argenta, having become exhausted by the frequent demands upon it for the relief of soldiers and their families, the ladies of Argenta and vicinity determined to give a Thanksgiving supper for the benefit of the relief fund of the Post. Their generous effort was crowned with success, as you will understand, when I tell you that the supply of eatables furnished by them was amply sufficient to feed about 300 persons, who partook of the sumptuous feast thus provided, the proceeds of which netted $50. It affords the writer of this the greatest of pleasure to thank our patriotic ladies for this generous, timely aid, coming, as it does, at the commencement of winter, during which it is feared an active demand will be made upon us all we are able to supply, and to *assure* them that *every dollar will be sacredly applied* to the uses intended. A committee appointed by the Post at its recent meeting will more fully extend the thanks of the the members in a series of resolutions which will be published.

Yours, respectfully, T. H. Babb,
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DANCES OF THE DAKOTAHS

SOMETHING ABOUT AN INDIAN NATION'S SINGULAR CEREMONIES.

The Medicine Men and Their Weird Incantations—Torture that is Terrible and Self Inflicted—Meaning of the Dances.

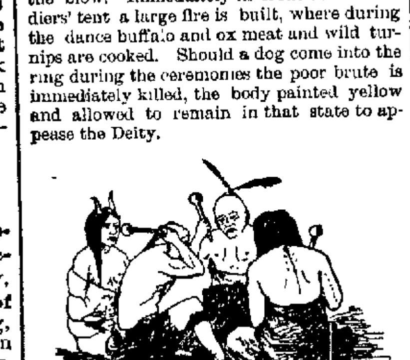
[Special Correspondence.]

Fort Totten, Devil's Lake Agency, D. T., Nov. 27.—The Indians of the Sioux or Dakotah nation are supposed to number about 25,000. They are scattered over an immense territory, extending from the Mississippi river on the east to the Black hills on the west, and from the mouth of the Big Sioux river on the south to Devil's lake (Hudson bay territory) on the north.

During my acquaintance with the Dakotahs I have learned something about their dances and the significance they bear. The study has been an interesting one to me, and I have here set down a few memoranda of two of the more important. They are really weighty ceremonies in tribal life.

THE MEDICINE DANCE.

The waukan wacipi (sacred or medicine dance) is in fact the religion of the Dakotahs. After selecting a suitable spot on a smooth prairie, notched sticks about three feet long are driven a little way into the ground at intervals of about ten feet, forming an elliptical inclosure. Upon these they lay saplings or rails, over which canvas tents are thrown. At each end of the inclosure a tent is pitched. One is occupied by the chief medicine men or high priests, who are always chiefs of the tribe, and the other by the "soldiers." The meetings of the council are held in the medicine tent, and there the medicine or pazuhita waukan is kept. The soldiers' duty is to preserve order, wait upon the dancers, prevent outsiders from intruding or even leaning upon the barricade, procure needed articles, etc. When needing tents they are allowed to throw down any tent and take it. Should an owner grumble, the tent taken is either burned or otherwise rendered unfit for future use. Those who wish to see the dance may do so by standing and looking over the barricade, but they must not touch it. Should any one lean upon the barricade who is not a member of the dance, he is struck one blow (no more) by a soldier with his stick—not of sufficient force to injure one, but a gentle reminder. Be he a chief or white man, it is all the same, and woe is his if he seek to resent the blow. Immediately in front of the soldiers' tent a large fire is built, where during the dance buffalo and ox meat and wild turnips are cooked. Should a dog come into the ring during the ceremonies the poor brute is immediately killed, the body painted yellow and allowed to remain in that state to appease the Deity.



SINGERS AND DRUMMERS.

The medicine chiefs having taken their places and the soldiers theirs, the members come in by families, and, standing in a line facing the chiefs, in unison throw up their hands and cry, "Brother, have mercy on me!" Then they relate when and where they were initiated into the mysteries of the "holy order." (Each dance, it should be understood, is the ceremony of some religious or other order.) They then intone a sort of chant to the high priest, at the same time holding their medicine bags in their left hands with arms stretched across their breasts; the right hand is meanwhile raised as when an oath is taken. In this the members of each family follow the motion of its head, then in single file they trot around the circle crying, "Have mercy on me, friend and brother," until they reach the starting place, when they intone another chant, this time to the Great Spirit (Waukantanka), and with their medicine bags point to the four points of the compass. They then seat themselves on the ground against the barricade, facing the circle. A chief who has been appointed to the office of high priest now takes his seat inside the medicine te where he preaches and sings, after appointing four assistants from among the members. To one is given a small drum, to the second a pillow and stick, to the third a gourd and rattle; the fourth assists in singing. These all sit around the high priest. They have also a large drum (usually a cowhide stretched over a cheese box or a wash tub), on which seven or eight drummers constantly drum, singing the while without cessation. The priest now exhorts his hearers to good deeds, and speaks of the holy dance as an institution founded centuries ago. When he is done all the members rise and dance by alternately raising the feet with a sidewise motion of the body, at intervals crying, as at the beginning, "Brother, have mercy on me!" The officiating chief then takes the drum and leaves the tent, followed by his assistants. Commencing slowly, then faster and faster, they trot around the circle again. All stop in front of the soldiers' tent, facing the west, when the chief brags some more of the antiquity of the rite and the power of the medicine, declaring that he can at will thrust a bird's claw or a stone from the river into the body of any one he wills, thus producing instant death. To prove this elaborate ceremonies are gone through with. Afterward, at a signal, all congregate around the big drum and dance and sing a monotonous kind of a chant, the women, on the outside of a ring formed by the men, imitating the peculiar call of the female swan, the men chanting in a sepulchral tone, which seems to lose itself in their throats. The combination is not entirely unmusical.

When a candidate is to be initiated into the order he is first taken into the medicine tent for instructions, which are secret. There he is stripped, painted black from head to foot, and a red spot is painted between the shoulder blades.

When the candidate comes out of the medicine tent he is clad only in a breech cloth, very small apron and moccasins. Four preachers in turn exhort the candidate, recite the history of the dance and the order, adding that should he be a good member his medicine will be strong. He must give a feast once a year: if not, he will be unfortunate and will meet with sickness and death. If he is good, the Great Spirit will have mercy on him; if not, the Great Spirit will be angry and expulsion from the order will follow. After this the candidate receives the holy claw or a stone

CANDIDATE.

from one appointed to cast it, who takes his medicine bag and with it traces the course of the sun, and turns to the four quarters and says: "Now prepare yourself. I am going to transfer to you what I have in my medicine bag;" and thrusting his bag toward the candidate says: "How! There goes the Spirit!" (Sometimes this is called "shooting" the candidate.) At these words the candidate, who is kneeling on a blanket, falls prone upon the ground, to all appearance dead. The friends and members of the candidate's family, and those wishing to make offerings to the Spirit, now congregate around the fallen man and throw on his body blankets, robes, skins and ornaments—anything they wish to give—until he is entirely covered up. The priest now dances around the supposed corpse, his assistants rattle gourds, and rattle and beat the pillow until the priest says: "I will now show how powerful my medicine is to bring him back to life." Then the candidate commences to move. Finally, resting on his hands and knees, he vomits up a mass of froth and blood, in the center of which is found the claw or stone with which he had been "shot." He is now presented with a medicine bag, and is recognized as a member of the order. The candidate must attend the three succeeding meetings in the same costume (naked) and painted in the same manner; then he is allowed to appear as he wishes.

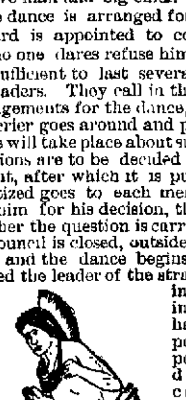
They also initiate the spirit of dead Indians, "to set them right to travel straight." They won't say where the spirit goes, but after initiation in the holy dance it will go straight to its destination. After the ceremonies are over, the soldiers take the food and lay it near the medicine tent, where it is distributed. The cutting and distributing forms the principal attraction to the members, and the kettles are continually replenished during the performance. They always commence the dance at midnight, keeping it up until the following evening at sundown. Should any one known to have committed a crime enter the ring the leaders notify the soldiers, and expulsion of the guilty one follows. Should he repent he relates the nature of the crime, pays a heavy fine and is reinstated. Should any member divulge the secrets of the order his life is forfeited in a way that none know the instigator or perpetrator. They have secrets, and, it is supposed, have signs by which one may know another in the dark as well as in the day. During the initiation and again just at daybreak something is whispered to the candidate.

"SHOOTING" WITH THE MEDICINE BAG.

CIRCLING CROW DANCE.

The Pa-gi-nu-hi-na-ki wa-ci-pi, or the circling crow dance, is called by the Americans straw or grass dance. Only members of the order participate in this dance, and its councils are secret. It is controlled by three men selected at the starting of the lodge from among the more influential members of the tribe, who at death or upon resigning their office select their own successors. The regalia belonging to the three by virtue of their office is peculiar, consisting of a kind of tunic falling from the waist down behind, attached to a broad band around the waist, and composed entirely of feathers of the eagle and crow, with beadwork, porcupine quills and jingling bells. Exactly in the center and resting in the hollow of the back (fastened to the belt) projects a slender piece of wood about eight inches long wrapped with porcupine quills, to the end of which eagle and crow feathers and small bells are attached with long strings—every motion of the wearer causing these sticks to vibrate and the bells to jingle. This is an emblem of rank, and when invested with it one usually gives away a horse. There are four drummers. Each one is provided with a stick about three feet long, one end notched and wrapped around with quills and beads, the other end sharpened. These are stuck in the ground, and drums with corresponding loops are hung on to them. The dancers seat themselves in a ring on the ground, wrapped in their blankets, the drummers on one side chanting and beating their drums. At a signal all jump up, and, throwing their arms aloft, chant with uncouth gestures and an occasional whoop; dance for a few moments, when all but one seat themselves. This one, standing in the ring keeps on with gestures, wildly waving his tomahawk. Of a sudden he will seat himself, and in a low, monotonous chant recite his exploits of war and chase, after which all will jump up, dance and yell, and the same performances are again gone through with. This is kept up for several days at a time, or until all the provisions have been exhausted. During this dance, if any member wishes a divorce from his wife he gets up and proclaims that she is no longer his wife, or that he has been deputized by some one not a member (naming him) to say that he has "thrown away" his wife. An outsider by payment can deputize a member to do this. In their own eyes this makes him a brave man and big chief.

The dance is arranged for in this way: A steward is appointed to collect provisions, and no one dares refuse him. After collecting sufficient to last several days he notifies the leaders. They call in the lodge and form arrangements for the dance, and then the village crier goes around and proclaims that the dance will take place about such a time. If any questions are to be decided the head men discuss it, after which it is put to a vote. One deputized goes to each member present and asks him for his decision, the result showing whether the question is carried or lost. Then the council is closed, outsiders are allowed to enter and the dance begins. An old woman invited the leader of the straw dance to dance in her tepee, cooking everything she had for that purpose and stating her poverty. He immediately sent the crier around the camp, and in a few hours all the members were present, as they will drop any work or pleasure they may have to attend these dances. After consulting in secret all were invited in. The leader then commenced whirling around very much like the whirling dervishes, stating the cause of the meeting to aid and assist this old woman. The result was thirteen blankets, calico, fine cloth, skins, flour and pork.



CHIEF, WITH GIRDLE AND TUNIC.

When any question of importance is brought before the order there are many councils and much pow-wowing. Often another lodge will be called in to help make the decision, which, once arrived at, is always carried out. This society is of late date, but is the most powerful among the Indians. No member will undertake to be a spokesman for an outsider unless bribed by a present, generally a gun or a horse, so the more influential gain from 40 to 100 horses during the year, but then have to give away many to retain their influence. Women are not admitted to this order. Paul Beckwith.

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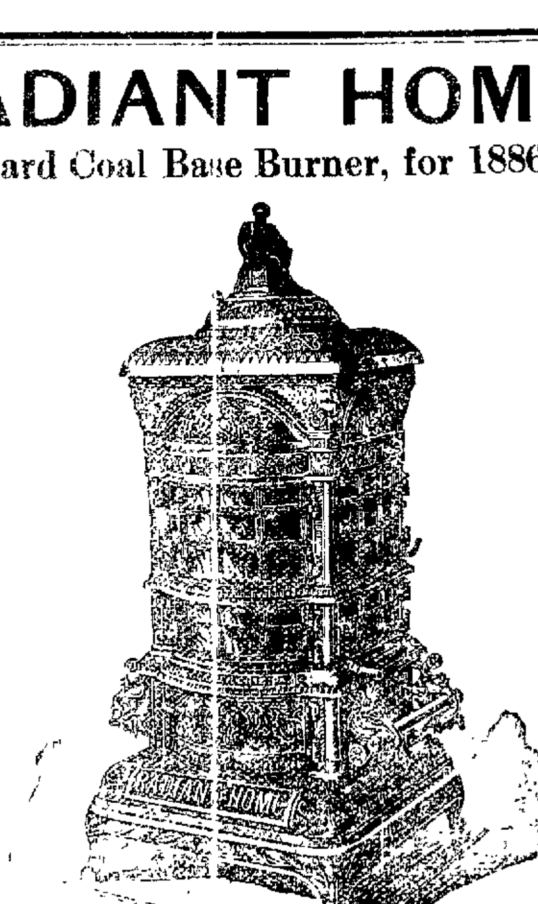

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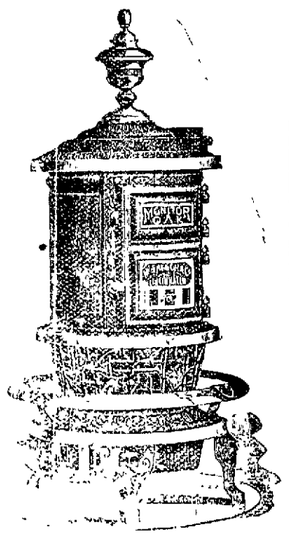

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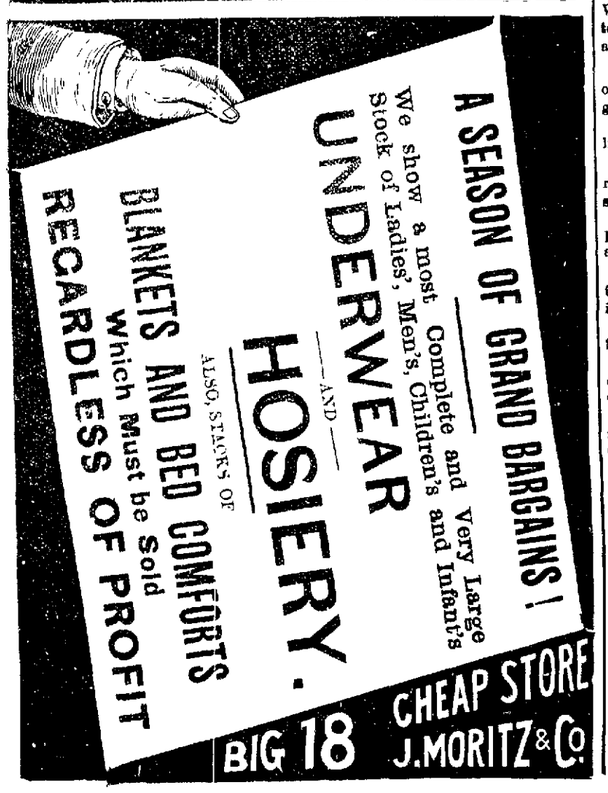

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THE "Evangeline" burlesque will be given Friday night.

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AT 143 South Water street you will find Hanks & Patterson ready to serve family groceries and flour.

THE trains brought in about 100 people Saturday at excursion rates to hear Gilmore.

IF you are in search of a road cart or cutter call at D. F. Hamsher's shop on Wood street.

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IT appears that Tom Fields has closed up the candy stand at the Griswold-Lewis corner. He is at present running a barber shop on North Water street, and may reopen the candy shop "when the robbins nest again."

THE Gilmore music was simply grand; and grand describes the beauty of those carpets offered by Abel & Locke at low figures.

ANY time you can have orders filled for Decatur coal by telephoning to Niedermeyer's grocery store.

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SHELLABARGER'S White Loaf and Daily Bread flour can be found at all the grocery stores in the city.

ON Sunday Rev. J. S. Hutchinson preached two able sermons at the U. B. church before large congregations. His subjects were "Christ Our Friend" and "Christ's Sympathy for the Lost." At the close of the evening service there was a general testimony meeting which awakened much interest.

VIENNA bread, pies and cakes, also seasonable fruits at J. Lytle & Co.'s family grocery store.

TO ALL parties desiring life insurance in the Decatur Mutual: Can secure policies at half rates, within the next thirty days. dec1-d6

A QUIET but intense contest is progressing at Springfield among the clergymen of the city for the positions of chaplain to the House and Senate. The stipend is $8 per day, Sundays included, and many of the ministers, it is said, desire the appointment.

MANY of the clerks are taking advantage of the *Half Rates* in Book Keeping at the Business College Night School

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THE American Opera Company passed through Decatur Sunday on two special Wabash trains, en route from St. Louis to Chicago. They took in over $23,000 at St. Louis last week.

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THE NEW COUNTY OFFICERS.

All Active and in their Places Ready for Business.

This is an eventful day in the history of county affairs, as December 6th is the time prescribed by law for the newly elected county officials, chosen in November, to begin serving the people for a term of four years.

Major George R. Steele is the successor of Mr. George M. Wood as county treasurer. The Major took the oath of office and filed his bond for $260,000 on Nov. 25th, and on Saturday he received his commission as treasurer from Governor Oglesby. This forenoon he entered the treasurer's office and took formal possession, Mr. Wood turning over to his keeping $19,407.98 and the books. The reporter found the new treasurer quite serene and perfectly at ease. The Major will appoint no deputy at present. He will have several assistants during the busy season, which will occur in March

John H. Mauzy, the new sheriff, was not in his office when the reporter called. He was out performing his first official act, buying groceries for his family of 21 prisoners in the county jail. It is an easy matter for John to take charge of the office, as he has been connected with it as deputy for a term of six years, and previous to 1880 was constable two terms. Sheriff Mauzy's bond is for $10,000. He has not yet named his deputy. Mr. Foster has vacated the residence part of the jail. As soon as it is properly renovated and repapered, Sheriff Mauzy will take possession. About the 20th will be the date.

Hon. W. E. Nelson, the new county judge, reported at the office this forenoon, took the oath of office administered by Clerk Hardy, had a chat with that official and took possession. Judge Nelson will be found at the county building in future. He may engage in the practice of law, but will doubtless dissolve his partnership with W. H. Harnsberger

County Clerk Hardy was at his desk this morning, commencing another term of four years He was not half as nervous as he was in 1872, when he first went into the office as the successor of H. W. Waggoner. Everything comes natural to him.

Thomas W Evans, the new county superintendent of schools, took possession of his office, having filed his bond for $30,000. He has 150 to 160 school districts in the county to look after, and will hold his first general examination the latter part of February. He will teach school the remainder of this week at the Sangamon school, as his successor, Mr. Marten, cannot get here before Monday next

All of the new officials are Republicans except Judge Nelson, who is a Democrat

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. F. B. Caldwell, of Lafayette, is in the city on a brief visit.

J. H. Anderson, Louis Bekemeyer, W. E. Shutt and Warren Anderson, of Springfield, were guests at the St. Nicholas over Sunday.

Bishop Merrill will preach at Bloomington on the 19th. Lately that town had Bishop Bowman for a day. Lucky people.

E. A. Gastman will attend the semi-annual meeting of the State Board of Education at Normal on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Bro. Dean, the evangelist, preached at the Baptist church yesterday morning and the congregation was well pleased with the sermon.

G. W. Foster died last week at Monticello. He was formerly circuit clerk of Piatt county, and served as mail route agent on the C. & H. line.

Mrs C. Harwood, Misses Minnie Cackley, Minnie Hutchins, Nell e Carroll and Grace Bishop, of Clinton, were at the New Deming Saturday. They came down to hear Gilmore's band.

D F. Hamsher has concluded not to leave for California until the latter part of the present month. He is able to be out and can be found at his office on Wood street.

Miss Letitia Fritch, the charming soprano of the Gilmore company, was a warm friend of the lamented Litte. At Bloomington Friday evening she was the guest at supper of Lista's brother, Mr. Don Von Elsner.

Robert Downing, the young tragedian who is to appear to-night as *Spartacus* in "The Gladiator," is a guest of his cousin, Mrs. W. R. Abbott. Mr. Downing has a splendid company and receives ovations wherever he goes.

ELMER LEWIS, formerly of Decatur, went to Bloomington some weeks ago and was employed by the telephone company as a line repairer. He essayed to climb a pole that had been standing in front of a second hand store. The horses that had been hitched to it gnawed it so nearly in two that when Lewis climbed to the top it let him down with a dull, sickening thud that nearly broke his neck He is now lying in the hospital suffering from concussion of the brain, and it is feared that he cannot live It shows that it is dangerous to hitch horses to telephone poles.

HEAR the *Nanon* opera to-morrow evening Secure reserved seats this evening or to-morrow at Prescott's

SATURDAY M. P. Murphey sent off for more copies of Gen. Logan's famous book, "The Great Conspiracy." This work is having a big sale. It is a book that every young and old man should buy, as it covers the eventful history of the country for twenty-five years, written by the "Black Eagle" who helped to make the glorious record. Mr. Murphey is the sole agent.

THE charming Rose Coghlan and her superb company will appear on the evening of December 17th, in "School for Scandal." The costumes for this presentation cost over $6,000.

LIZZIE BARTON, who figured in these parts as a horse thief and female hoodo generally, is reported by the Clinton *Public* to be married and living a respectable matronly life in Missouri.

NOTHING makes a finer Christmas present than one of those superb *Haines Bros, Pianos*. A variety of styles to select from at Prescott's.

THE Presbyterian Fair on Friday, Dec. 10, will be the attractive event of the season. Dinner will be served at 5 o'clock refreshments throughout the evening, and a greater variety of fancy articles will be offered than has been at any previous time. Among the entertaining features will be a doll booth, apron booth, fancy table, country store, dairy maids' booth baby booth and a postoffice with letter for everyone. The date is Friday, Decs 10. 4-dtf

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A Bloody Cutting Affray.

Young Frank Shaffer, son of S. K. Shaffer, and David Epler, the hackman, familiarly known as "Reddy," engaged in a quarrel at C. A. Taylor's saloon on the Levee Saturday evening, growing out of a game of cards that had been played. Hot words passed between the young men, and as they were going out of the saloon Epler was assaulted by Shaffer with a common penknife. Epler was given two deep cuts on the head, a slash on the arm and a stab in the side below the left nipple. The wounds bled profusely and at first glance it appeared that Epler could not survive. He was taken to his home on Condit street, where he was attended by Dr. Bumstead and Dr. King. The injuries were not considered dangerous. Epler is resting comfortably to-day.

Young Shaffer was placed under arrest, and secured his liberty by giving a bond for his appearance. In all probability the case will be investigated by the grand jury on January 3.

Downing as "Spartacus" To-Night.

The eminent actor, Mr. Rob't Downing, and his talented dramatic company arrived from St. Louis Sunday, and to-night the troupe will appear in Dr. Bird's great Roman drama, "The Gladiator," in which Mr. Downing assumes the role of *Spartacus*. No doubt the hall will be crowded this evening to witness the performance. It is not often that Decatur has an opportunity to be entertained by such an array of talent. Mr. Mack has surrounded Mr. Downing with a strong supporting company, including Mr. Henry Aveling, of the principal theatres of London, Eng.; Miss Mitten Willet, Frank Lane, C. W. Vance, T. F. McCabe, W. D. Ingram and John Swinburn, of McCullough's company; Chas. Nevins, Royal Roche, T. Wagenhaltz, of Salvini's company; Miss Gail Forrest, G. D. Farnam, E. W. Hilliard, P. A. Clinton, of the Silver King Company, and other well-known artists. He has also secured at a heavy expense the famous athlete and champion wrestler of the world, Mr. Wm. Muldoon, to take the part of the fighting Gaul in the combats with Spartacus (Mr. Downing) in the arena. The Gladiator is superbly mounted, there being a car load of scenery, all painted by the famous Voeghtlin, and said to be historically accurate, including a scene representing the streets of Rome with the triumphal arches, another representing the battlefields of Campana, which is a very realistic view of a Roman camp, with Mount Vesuvius, Pompeii and the Bay of Naples in the distance, and the great Arena Scene where the gladiatorial contests were fought, which has been painted from Gerome's celebrated painting. The superb costumes were made from correct plates imported especially for this production, in fact the press universally accord it as the grandest presentation of Spartacus, the Gladiator, ever given.

BY acquiring a thorough knowledge of Book Keeping, you have something that will always prove your friend in time of need. Many are taking advantage of the HALF RATES at the *Business College* Night School.

THE opera house was packed last night to hear Dr. Vosburgh on "Does Death End All?" Large numbers were turned from the doors. The subject for next Sunday evening is "What Did Christ Teach Concerning the Soul?" This subject is really the completion of last night's discourse. It is an exceedingly fertile subject and one of real interest.

OPENED by the Presbyterian ladies at the Tabernacle on Friday, December 10—a *Country Store and Postoffice*. They will have molasses for the masses and mail for the million! Songs for the boys and kisses for the misses! Calico sold (figuratively) for a song! Millinery warranted not to go out of style! Boots and shoes that anyone may wear! Straw hats for gentlemen! A fine lot of queensware very cheap, and a chance to play checkers absolutely given away! *Yarns a specialty.* Your grandmothers and grandfathers restored! Come and bring your children. Goods delivered free of charge—if you deliver them yourself. d1

The Band Concerts.

Gilmore and his great band of musicians gave two fine entertainments Saturday afternoon and evening under the auspices of the Decatur Lecture Course, and the programmes as published in the REPUBLICAN were faithfully observed. The audience at the matinee was not as large as was expected, but at night the hall was filled below. There were a number of vacant seats in the gallery. The band played perfectly, and Miss Letitia Fritch, who is a St. Louis vocalist, captivated all by her pleasing manner and finished singing. Her "Sweetheart" song, with the band accompaniment, was regarded as the most attractive selection.

The Gilmore party left for Mattoon Sunday forenoon. Pat is a bossy and nervous chap and like the rest of the musicians loves his toddy. He paid $4.25 for a drink at Andrews' saloon Saturday. He had called for a whisky sour, at in the confusion the bar-keeper didn't understand the great director and set before him a whisky straight. This so exasperated Pat that he dashed the cut-glass decanter on the floor and demolished it. He paid the $4 25 and then took an Irish stew.

MARRIED.

At Maroa, December 1, 1886, at the residence of the bride's father, W. H. Conover, by Rev. W. C. West, of Homer, Ill., MR. G. W. ROBINSON, of Fort Morgan, Colorado, and MISS ESTELLE CONOVER.

The attendants were Miss Clara Leavitt and Mr. E. W. Hill. A fine wedding supper was served, and many beautiful gifts were bestowed upon the bride by the representative families of Maroa. Miss Christina Sanderson was one of the guests from Decatur. The couple have gone to their home, in Colorado, where Mr. Robinson is engaged in the mercantile business.

DIED.

On Sunday, December 5, of membraneous croup, GEORGIA, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Litsinberger, aged 6 years.

The boy was first taken ill on Thursday.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, No. 959 North Main street, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

W. W. SCUDDER has now located with H. F. Ehrman & Co, 205 South Side City Park, where he has a full line of watches, chains, charms, &c., in fact everything belonging to a first-class shop, which will be sold at prices beyond competition. He would be pleased to have you call, whether you desire to purchase or not Repairing of all kinds done in strictly first-class style. dec 6-d&w1w

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Crookedness.

During last week it was evident some one was tampering with the main electric line, and about 6:30 Saturday evening the line was severed and every light was extinguished. The employers were unable to find the break until yesterday afternoon, when it was discovered that the line was severed at the rear of Morgan's saloon. The outrage was perpetrated by some one expert in electric line matters, and could not have been an accident. There is every assurance the mischief was the work of Chip Woodman, who had been recently discharged. Chip had been in the employ of the company for over two years, but during this summer it is charged he has been embezzling moneys and neglecting his work, so that he was discharged. The management of the line is now in the hands of Edmund Wagemann, a most complete electrician, whose recently invented lamps are being put on the line. The patrons of the company can rest assured of satisfaction in the future.

Maroa's New Bank Building.

It is thus described by the *News* of December 3d: "The new banking house of C. F. Emery & Co. has been completed, and now presents a handsome and comfortable appearance. The inside work has been done by Messrs. Potter & Sons and Tim Waller and N. A. Crouch. The interior is composed of two rooms, the first being devoted to general banking business, and the rear room to be used as a private room. An elegant new counter, made of yellow pine, nicely arranged has been placed in the front room. Windows have been put in the west side of the building, the walls and ceilings handsomely decorated, and in all a great change has been made in its appearance. We learn it is the intention of C. F. Emery to fit up the basement of the building for the young men of Maroa as a reading room."

SPECIAL services for young men every night this week at the Y. M. C. A. rooms conducted by Bro. J. W. Dean, of Chicago. You are invited.

Base Ball.

Mike Hurley, of Peoria, is still actively engaged in the effort to form an Inter-State base ball league, to include a club from Decatur. He is working to get six good towns in the association, and had the scheme about fixed up last week, when Rockford kicked out of the list, and now Mike is trying to get another good town. He is after Bloomington. When six towns are secured a meeting of representatives of the cities will be held at some central point to complete necessary arrangements. It is stated that Peoria has a lot of players on the list that will be signed as soon as the association is formed. Each town will be required to put up a guarantee fund of $2,000 to $2,500.

MARSHAL MASON got home from St. Louis last night bringing home the Sparks jewelry. He received a description of the man who pawned the goods on Nov. 8, and it tallies with that of William Rogers, who was given two years for burglarizing Miss Prince's room.

Missing.

Much alarm is manifested by the citizens of Assumption, over the disappearance of an old citizen of that place named Livingston. The old gentleman lived by himself. He was seen last on Wednesday. He asked some of his friends to call in Thursday to see if he was alive, but on that day he was not to be found. He was in ill-health, and it is supposed he wandered off and perished in the deep snow.

Rice's Evangeline Party.

On Friday night, Dec. 10, Rice's "Evangeline" with its great cast of 60 artists, will appear at the opera house. This pure burlesque, with its pretty story, beautiful music, gorgeous scenery and magnificent costumes, has made the greatest hit of the age, running for 253 consecutive nights in New York, to immense audiences. Its scenery, costumes, and startling mechanical effects have been a theme of praise and discussion all over the country, and wherever it has appeared audiences large enough to pack the theatres to the doors have been the rule An exchange says: "Among the new features introduced are the 'Wedding Minuet,' the sextette for male voices, 'The Grand March of the Amazons,' performed by 21 ladies clad in the most magnificent jewel armor worn on any stage, 'the new Grand Turkish March,' 'The Diamond Fields,' 'Stealing Away,' 'The Six Merry Ruffians,' in their wonderful acrobatic feats, songs and dances, the new tropical song, 'I Like It,' sung by Gabriel, and 'The Japanese Finale.' Take it in its entirety there has never been presented a better or purer burlesque than 'Rice's Beautiful Evangeline.' Sarony, the Napoleon of photographers, in speaking of it said: 'It is simply bewitching, and Rice is the king of caterers to all that pertains to the beautiful, musical and artistic on the stage.'"

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THE great attraction of the season will be the Presbyterian fair at the tabernacle on Friday afternoon and evening, Dec. 10. The ladies of the church are sparing no pains, assisted also by generous and willing friends, to make this one of the most pleasing and enjoyable entertainments which they have ever offered the appreciative public of our city. 2-d3

The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant, this city:

Wheat—78⅝ Dec; 79⅜ Jan; 80⅛ Feb; 86½ May.

Corn—38 Dec; 38⅜ Jan; 38⅝ Feb; 42⅞ May.

Oats—27 Dec; 27⅛ Jan.; 27⅜ Feb; 31⅛ May.

Pork—$11.00 Dec; $11.27 Jan; $11.37 Feb.

Lard—$6 22 Dec; $6.27 Jan.; $6.37 May.

Ribs—$5 65 Dec; $5 67 Jan; $5.70 May.

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Cattle, 7,000; prospects steady.

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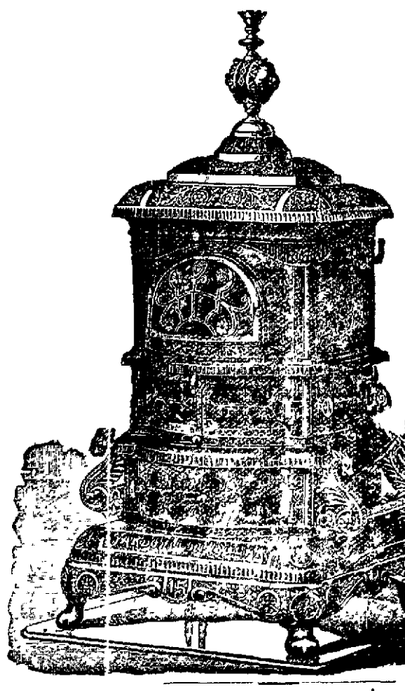

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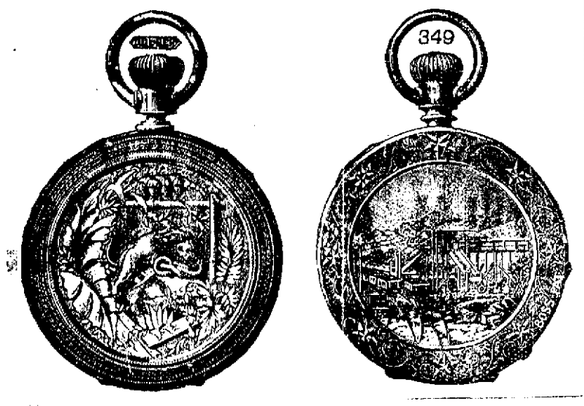

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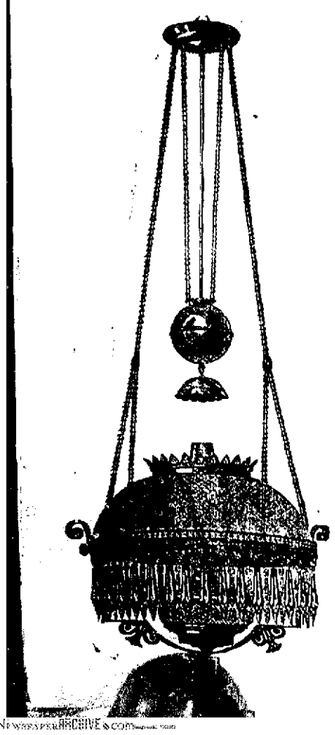

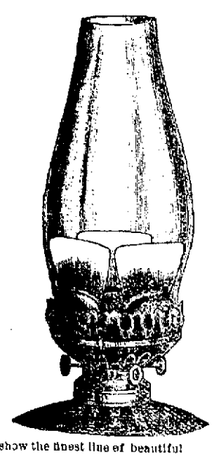

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The slaughter of infected cattle at Chicago continues.

To the Public.

Having purchased the Globe Restaurant at 721 E. Cerro Gordo street, I will make it my business to see that all my customers are provided with the best that the market affords, dished up by first class cooks, at 25 cents per meal. Meals at all hours. Respectfully,

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Sept. 22, 1886. sept22-dtf

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[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 35 cents, payable in advance.]

FOR SALE.—A team of good work horses, wagon and harness for sale cheap, for cash. Address JOHN NEWMAN, 665 West Wood St., Decatur, Ill. 6-d6*

MISSING—If any friend has borrowed an illustrated copy of Goethe's Poems, and a German Bible, a great favor will be conferred if they are immediately returned to the library of REV. GEORGE STEVENS, of Stapp's Chapel. dec4-d6*

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TO SELL—A new mahogany case Raines Bros. Upright Piano. Call at 453 North Franklin street. 3-d6*

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ROOMS TO RENT—Four rooms, unfurnished, at No. 355 West Wood street. Good rooms, suitable for a small family. Call on premises. dec1-d6*

LOST—On Tuesday, Nov. 30, a pocketbook containing drug tickets. The finder will please leave it at J. R. Race & Co.'s store, or with the owner, and receive suitable reward. Dec 1-d6* JOHN STABLER.

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HAY FOR SALE—I have about 20 tons of fine good hay to dispose of; either in stack—four miles north of Decatur—or delivered in town. E. I. LOOMIS. Nov13-d6w*

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PLUCKY WOMEN.

European Ladies Who are Pushing Into the Depths of Africa.

Quite a number of white men who are now in Central Africa have followed the advice of the celebrated explorer, Dr. Barth, who many years ago expressed the opinion that the traveler in Africa should take his wife with him. He said the natives did not understand how a man could live without a partner, and that they would hold him in greater respect if he was accompanied by his wife. Dr. Barth added that the people he met south of the Sahara had nothing against him except that he was a bachelor.

Dr. Livingstone's wife shared the privations and dangers of some of his travels, and it was while they were making a long journey together that she died and was buried on the banks of the Zambesi. It is only recently, however, that white women have begun to accompany their husbands into the depths of Central Africa.

If the young wife of Dr. Holub, the Austrian traveler, survives their great undertaking she will have made a longer journey in Africa than most explorers. Nearly two years ago this brave young couple started from South Africa, intending to explore the upper Zambesi and Congo valleys, and to go home, if possible, by way of the great lakes and the Nile. After Dr. Holub returned to Austria, a few years ago, having earned a place in the first rank of African travelers by his seven years of work in the Zambesi region, he married the attractive and gifted young lady who is now wandering with him among savage tribes. The entreaties of her friends could not turn her from her purpose to accompany her husband in his new explorations. About thirty thousand dollars was raised to buy their equipment, and when last heard from they and their band of porters were plunging into almost wholly unknown regions of the upper Zambesi. Mrs. Holub was in excellent health, but her husband had suffered to some extent from fever.

Last spring Lieutenant Valche returned to Europe for a vacation, after serving for three years on the upper Congo. Soon after his return he married a fair Belgian, and two months ago he and his bride started for the Congo, where he has re-enlisted in the service of the Free State. At last accounts they were at Stanley Pool in good health, and were about to start for Stanley Falls, one thousand two hundred miles from the sea, where they will reside.

One of the most extensive travelers on the Congo is the wife of the missionary Grenfell, who, with her child, accompanied Mr. Grenfell on some of his long journeys, during which he pushed his little steamer over three thousand miles of the navigable waters of the Congo and its affluents.

On an island in Lake Tanganyika, not far from Ujiji, where Stanley found Livingstone sick and almost destitute, live Mr. and Mrs. Hore, who are among the pioneer missionaries of the lake region. The unhealthfulness of the mainland has driven them to this island, where they have a pretty mission station, and where Lieutenant Gleerup, on his trip across the continent this year, enjoyed the hospitalities of a white lady in Central Africa.

A carpenter named Burgslag, who is stationed at Luluaburg, far up the Kassai affluent of the Congo, where he has very successfully opened a plantation on which he has raised big crops of rice, corn, sugar cane, manioc and European vegetables, has expressed the wish, at the end of his term of service, to bring his wife and children, now in Germany, to Luluaburg, and devote himself to his plantation and cattle raising. Two other employes of the Congo State, Von der Felsen, the captain of one of the steamers, and Schneider, a gunmaker, whose terms of service have expired, have petitioned the Government for permission to settle on the Sanzara river to open plantations and raise cattle. Dr. Wolf, to whom their petition was referred, has advised that it be granted, and has expressed the opinion that, within certain limits, selected emigrants from Europe may safely be allowed and even encouraged to settle in the same region.—*N. Y. Sun.*

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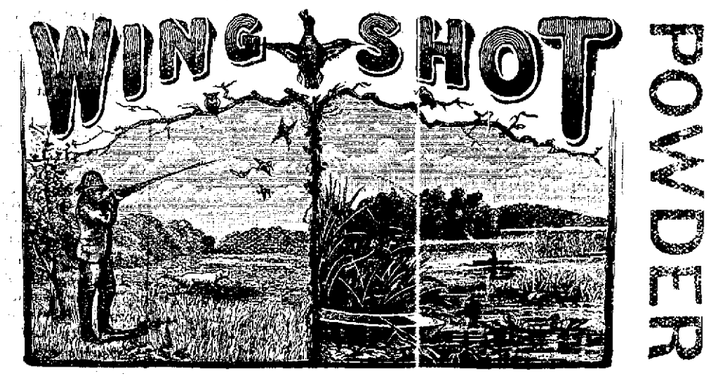

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,
In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1887.—In Chancery.

Decatur Building and Benefit Association and Kilburn H. Roby vs. Albert M. Stafford, Lucinda Stafford; Charles M. Nevins, Isaac A. Buckingham, John Strausbaugh, Gertrude Strausbaugh, Thomas Lyons, Catherine Lyons, Susannah Luttrell, Frederick Nienhier and Reuben Betzer.

Notice is hereby given to the said Albert M. Stafford and Lucinda Stafford, that the above named complainants heretofore filed their bill of complaint in said Court, on the Chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said Court against the above named defendants, returnable on the first day of the term of the Circuit Court of Macon county, to be held at the Court House in Decatur in said Macon county, on the Second Monday of January, A. D. 1887, as is by law required, and which suit is still pending.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

JOHNS & RANDOLPH, Complainants' Sol's.

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Publication Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY.
In the County Court, to the January Term, A. D. 1887.

Jacob Kessler, Administrator of the estate of Philip Bauer, Deceased, vs. Katrina Bauer, Susanna Bauer, Margaret Bauer, Peter Bauer and Adam Bauer, defendants above named.—Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Affidavit of the non-residence of Katrina Bauer, Susanna Bauer, Margaret Bauer, Peter Bauer and Adam Bauer, defendants above named, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the County Court of said Macon county, notice is hereby given to the said Katrina Bauer, Susanna Bauer, Margaret Bauer, Peter Bauer and Adam Bauer, that the said plaintiff, Jacob Kessler, administrator of the said estate, has filed his petition in the said County Court of Macon county for an order or decree to sell the premises belonging to the said estate of said deceased, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the debts of said deceased, the description of said real estate being as follows, to-wit: Commencing on the west line of Jackson street, three and forty-five one-hundredth chains south of the south line of Priest street, in the west half (½) of the south-west quarter (¼) of section fourteen (14) in township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the third (3d) Principal Meridian, thence south one and ninety-five one-hundredth chains, thence west three and eighty one-hundredth chains to the east line of the right of way of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, thence north-easterly along said east line of said right of way to a point due west of the point of beginning, thence east to said point of beginning, reserving, however, all coal and other valuable deposit or mineral, together with the right to mine and remove the same from underneath said land, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois; also the south-east quarter (¼) of the north-east quarter (¼) of section number twenty (20), township sixteen (16) north, range two (2) east of the third (3d) Principal Meridian, containing forty (40) acres, according to government survey; also the south half (½) of the north-east quarter (¼) of the north-east quarter (¼) of said section twenty (20), containing twenty (20) acres, according to government survey, all of said lands being situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, and that a summons has been issued out of said court against you, returnable at the January term, A. D. 1887, of said court, to be holden on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1887, at the court house in the city of Decatur in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Now, unless you, the said Katrina Bauer, Susanna Bauer, Margaret Bauer, Peter Bauer and Adam Bauer, shall personally be and appear before said county court of Macon county, on the first day of a term thereof, to be holden at Decatur in said county on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1887, and plead, answer, or demur to the said petition of the said administrator filed therein, said petition and the matters and things therein charged and set forth will be taken as true and confessed and a decree entered against you in accordance with the prayer of said bill.

Decatur, Illinois, December 2d, 1886.

G. P. HARDY, Clerk.

D. HUTCHISON, Sol. for Petitioner.

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
MACON COUNTY,
In the Circuit Court to the January Term A. D. 1887.—In Chancery.

People's Saving & Loan Association vs. Charles E. Bobb, Leah A. Bobb, Franklin Priest, Mary S. Priest, H. E. Foster, Silas McManus, Milton Underwood, David Martin, George Lyons, Wm. H. Gipson and John Armstrong, impleaded as partners under name of Lyon Gipson & Co., Wm. F. Dennis and Baldwin M. Dennis, partners, as W. F. Dennis & Bro., P. H. Humphrey, A. J. Blain.

Notice is hereby given to the said Franklin Priest and Mary S. Priest, that the above named complainant heretofore filed its bill of complaint in said Court, on the Chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of the said court against the above named defendants, returnable on the first day of the term of the Circuit Court of Macon County, to be held at the Court House in Decatur, in said Macon county, on the Second Monday of January, A. D. 1887, as is by law required, and said suit is still pending.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

JOHNS & RANDOLPH, Complainant's Sol's.

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Publication Notice in Chancery.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss
Macon County,
In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1887.

Andrew Dennis vs Jane White et al—Bill in Chancery to Foreclose Mortgage. No. —.

Affidavit that Jane White, Jane White "Administratrix of the estate of George W. White, deceased," Jane White, "Guardian of Fannie C. White and Arthur L. White and Arthur J. White, minors," Wm. G. White, Sallie S. White, Fannie C. White, Arthur L. White, Anna Simcoe and John N. Simcoe, Josephine Lynch, Raymond Lynch, Anna Levi and Willis Levi, Thomas Bond and Joseph Allerdice, partners as Bond and Allerdice, respondents in the above entitled cause, are now non-residents of the said State of Illinois, so that process can not be served upon them, in said cause, notice is hereby given to you the said Jane White, Jane White "Administratrix of the estate of George W. White, deceased," Jane White, "Guardian of Fannie C. White and Arthur L. White, minors," Wm. G. White, Sallie S. White, Fannie C. White, Arthur L. White, Anna Simcoe, John N. Simcoe, Josephine Lynch, Raymond Lynch, Anna Levi, Willis Levi, Thomas Bond and Joseph Allerdice, partners as Bond and Allerdice, that the complainant, Andrew Dennis, heretofore filed in said court, on the chancery side thereof, his certain bill of complaint against Jane White, Jane White "administratrix of the estate of George W. White, deceased," Jane White "Guardian of Fannie C. White and Arthur L. White, minors," Anna Simcoe and John N. Simcoe, William G. White, Fannie C. White and Arthur L. White, Josephine Lynch and Raymond Lynch, Anna Levi and Willis Levi, Charles A. Carter and James W. Carter, Oscar F. Parker, W. J. Chenoweth and Miss Chenoweth, partners as W. J. & C. Chenoweth, Thomas Bond and Joseph Allerdice, partners as Bond & Allerdice, E. W. Moore and Ira N. Barnes, partners as Moore & Barnes, D. L. Hunn and Edwin Park, partners as Hunn & Park, E. McClellan, Melissa J. Smock, R. L. Walston, W. Mullens, W. W. Foster, Nancy Dickson, Andrew J. Stoner, William L. Hammer, Hewton Shepleton, Charles Laux and Charles Laux, "administrator of Jacob Stutsman, deceased," in the above entitled cause, the same being in the nature of a bill to foreclose a mortgage, and that thereupon summons in chancery issued out of said court against you and each of you in said cause, the same being returnable to the January Term, A. D. 1887, of said circuit court, which cause is still pending and undetermined in said court.

Now, unless you and each of you respondents as aforesaid, shall, respectively, be and appear before said circuit court, on the first day of said January term thereof, to be holden at the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county of Macon and State of Illinois, commencing on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1887, and plead, answer or demur to said complainants' said bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein alleged, charged and set forth, will be taken as and for confessed as against you and a decree entered in said cause according to the prayer of said bill.

E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.

WM. T. CUSSINS, Complainant's Solicitor.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one execution and fee bill to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Charles Caldwell, David A. Maiht and Alexander McGorray, and against John N. Bills, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot Number twenty-three (23) in the re-survey of Block one (1) original Town of Decatur, taken as the property of the said John N. Bills, which I shall offer at public sale at the west door of the Court House in the city of Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 9th day of December, A. D. 1886, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said day, for cash in hand, to satisfy said execution.

This 19th day of November, A. D. 1886.

WM. W. FOSTER,

n19-d3w Sheriff Macon County, Illinois.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of J. L. Baker, Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the estate of J. L. Baker, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the courthouse in Decatur, at the January term, on the third Monday in January next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this this 16th day of November, 1886.

R. C. STULTZ, Administrator.

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